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## AIRCRAFT ROTATION POLICY

(San Bernardino County Only)

## **PURPOSE**

To establish EMS Aircraft dispatch rotation criteria for San Bernardino County Communication Center (COMM Center).

## **AUTHORITY**

California Health and Safety Code Division 2.5, Chapter 4 and 5; California Code of Regulations.

## **POLICY**

- 1. All EMS Aircraft requests from the field in San Bernardino County will be dispatched by the San Bernardino County COMM Center.
- 2. At time of dispatch, COMM Center will inform the EMS Aircraft of destination based on the following:
  - a. Destination will alternate between ARMC and LLUMC as determined by ICEMA.
  - b. The destination may be changed by the EMS providers based on patient requirements for specialty centers.
  - c. Cancellation or destination change of an EMS Aircraft will not alter the rotation of dispatched aircraft.
  - d. Approved Diversion will alter the rotation of EMS aircraft (ICEMA Reference #8060 San Bernardino County Requests for Hospital Diversion Policy.)
- 3. An EMS Aircraft going to a destination other than the one assigned by Comm Center, will notify COMM Center and the receiving facility. Notification maybe made by ground or air crews, whichever is the most expeditious for information to be given to the receiving facility.
- 4. Changes to EMS Aircraft rotation may be reviewed for potential QI issues.